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Docket No.: 45751USA6C

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

JOSEPH P. KRONZER et al.

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For: FIBROUS FILTRATION FACE
MASK

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 7, line 38, after "12" insert --to act as a harness--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claims 25, 27, 28, 31, 32, and 33 as shown below.

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25. (amended) A fibrous filtration face mask for filtering contaminants and/or particulate matter, which comprises:

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- (a) a means for securing the mask to the face of a wearer; and
 - (b) a non-woven fibrous layer attached to the securing means and containing (i) at least about 40 wt.% thermally bonding fibers based on the weight of the fibers in the non-woven fibrous layer, at least about 10 wt.% of the fibers in the non-woven layer being bicomponent fibers, and optionally (ii) staple fibers, the non-woven fibrous layer being molded in a cup-shaped

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